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Establishment – Temporary – South Kanara District – Intensive procurement and informal rationing of foodgrains – Additional staff Employment – Sanctioned

REVENUE DEPARTMENT
Civil Supplies

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Sub: ESTABLISHMENT - Temporary - South Kanara District - Additional staff for intensive procurement of foodgrains - sanction of.

Ref. F. 1986.45. dated 9th June 1945.

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From

A.F.W.Dixon Esq.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

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I.Rhys Jones Esq.,I.C.S.,
Joint Secy. to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

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Read:From the Collector of South Kanara Ref.C.No.12435. W.5. 44. dated 3rd April 1945.
2.Board's Ref.No. F.1986. 45. dated 7th May 1945
3.From the Collector of South Kanara Ref.No.578.P.3.45. dated 2/5/45.
5.From the Collector of South Kanara Ref.No.578. P.3. 45. dated 5th June 1945.
4.From the Collector of South Kanara Ref.No. 578. P.3.45.dated 12/5/45.

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Submitted to Government.

For work connected with the intensive procurement of foodgrains in South Kanara District an additional staff consisting of one District Supply Officer with one Upper Division Clerk, two Lower Division Clerks and one Typist and two Tahsildars , 4 Deputy Tahsildars, 6 Lower Division Clerks and 28 Firka Supply Officers have been sanctioned so far. In view of the district wide informal rationing that was being introduced in South Kanara District, the Collector applied in April last for the sanction of an additional staff of 6 Lower Division Clerks, and 6 peons at the rate of one clerk and one peon for each Taluk Supply Officer (Grain Purchase Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar) to cope with the increase of work. But during his visit to South Kanara District in the month of April, the Provincial Controller of Food Rationing discussed the matter with the Collector and asked him to submit a further report applying for additional staff that would be necessary for intensive procurement of foodgrains and rationing. In his further report dated 2nd May 1945 the Collector has stated that although at the beginning the Revenue Staff was associated with the work of procurement etc., it is not now possible to do so, owing to the increase of work and that it is better if the entire work is entrusted to a special staff. In this and subsequent reports he has asked for the sanction of an additional staff of 2 Tahsildars, one Deputy Tahsildar, 9 Lower Division Clerks and 7 peons on the whole, Rationing is now in full swing and the staff in the district is insufficient. In view of the imperative need to appoint some additional staff immediately the Board requests that the Government may be pleased to sanction 6 additional lower division clerks one for each of the Taluk Supply Officers upto 31st March 1946 from the date of appointment or till the necessity for employment ceases whichever is earlier, pending further examination by the Board of the other proposals of the Collector for the appointment of additional staff.

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As the staff recommended by the Board is urgently required to cope with the increase in the work, very early orders are requested.

The cost of the establishment comes to Rs. 1700/- approximately for the period recommended.

Application for funds will be made in due course to meet the expenditure during the current year.

The expenditure may be debited to "A.F.Civil Defence.Section IV.Expenditure borne wholly by Provincial Government - C.Mis.A.Establishment for price control - 1 Board of Revenue. 2. Pay of Establishment.

for Jt. Secretary.

To the Addl.Secretary to Government, Development Department, with encl.
Copy to the Collector of South Kanara.
Copy to the Accounts Section.

Ref.C.No. 12435-435/44

Collector's Office,
Mangalore, 3rd April 1945.

From
Sri Rao Sahib P.Ramanoss, B.A.,
Collector of S.Kanara.

To
The Secretary to the Commissioner
of Civil Supplies,
Board of Revenue, Madras.

Sir,

Rationing - District-wide informal rationing - extra staff - report submitted.

In connection with the intensive procurement scheme two special Tahsildars and four special Deputy Tahsildars have been appointed in this district. When this staff was applied for, they were intended to attend almost exclusively to procurement work alone in each taluk; and even in regard to this procurement work it was found that a single officer could not do the procurement work in an entire taluk comprising several firkas. Therefore, with a view to greater efficiency, I directed that the special Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar should be assigned a particular number of firkas in each taluk, the other firkas being taken up by the regular Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar so that each officer might be definitely responsible for the procurement in a particular firka. This scheme has been working very satisfactorily so far as procurement is concerned as the responsibility for the state of procurement in a particular firka rests upon a particular officer. Since then, the scheme of district-wide informal rationing has been extended. This makes it necessary that adequate arrangements should be made both for procurement and for distribution of stocks for informal rationing. Even here the same difficulty presents itself. If the special Tahsildar or Dy.Tahsildar (Taluk Supply Officer) is to attend both to procurement and informal rationing (this) will be such an enormous task that he cannot attend to both. There is the further difficulty that his jurisdiction over the entire taluk will be too vast to be easily managed. This would suggest that also in regard to informal rationing specific firkas are allotted to officers so that they might be held responsible for its satisfactory working. Therefore, it is proposed to allot particular firkas to the Taluk Supply Officers and to the Tahsildars so that they might be responsible both for intensive procurement and informal rationing. This would fix the responsibility definitely on a particular officer for these items of work. This will make the area of their supervision and work smaller so that their supervision might be more intense. This, in my view, is calculated to greater efficiency of supervision and control. Therefore the Taluk Supply Officers, those styled as such, will be in charge of particular firkas and the regular Tahsildars will perform the same functions in respect of the other firkas.

2. But these officers have to submit certain returns both in regard to procurement and informal rationing to the Dt. Supply Officer and to the Dt.Rationing Officer. It would appear inconvenient that both the Tahsildar and the Taluk Supply Officer should be sending returns. It appears desirable that the returns relating to these items of work are submitted by the Taluk Supply Officer who is specially earmarked for the purpose. But, at present, in this district he has no clerical staff and it is not possible to spare any Taluk Clerk to work under him for this purpose. It is, therefore, essential that there must be a special clerk for each of these Taluk Supply Officers. I request that the Board may be pleased to sanction one special lower division clerk for each of the six Taluk Supply Officers of this district.

3. In view of the district-wide informal rationing and the enormous additional work thrown upon the Taluk Supply Officers, it is necessary that they must have an extra peon to carry their orders and messages to the various corners of firkas in connection with the distribution of food grains and other incidental matters. I request that the Board may be pleased to sanction to each of them one additional peon.

4. I have discussed the matter with the Dt.Rationing Officer

the Dt. Supply Officer and also the Taluk Supply Officers. Though the latter asked for more staff to cope with the considerable additions to their work, the above additional staff is the immediate minimum required. I request that the Board may be pleased to issue orders for appointing them in anticipation of Government's approval.

P R Cawadoss

Collector.

Copy of Board's Ref.F.1986 (C.S.) dated 7-5-1945 to the Collector of South Kanara, Mangalore.

Sub:- Establishment - South Kanara Dt. - Additional staff for intensive procurement of foodgrains - Sanction of.

Read:- From the Collector of South Kanara, A.C.No.1255-W.5/44 dated 3-4-45.

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'During the recent visit of Provincial Controller of Food Rationing to South Kanara District, the Collector has promised him to send his further report applying for the additional staff that would be necessary for work connected with the intensive procurement of foodgrains in his district. He is requested to expedite it.

Copy of letter Ref.578-P3-45 dated 2-5-45 from the Collector of South Kanara to the Secretary, Board of Rev.(Civil Supplies), Madras.

Sub:- Establishment - Special staff - South Kanara District - Intensive procurement and district wide informal rationing - Proposals - Submitted.

The Special Staff for the work connected with intensive procurement of paddy and rice in this district now consists of one Firka Supply Officer for each firka. In order to facilitate work, a few villages of each firka have been allotted to the Firka Revenue Inspector and one or two firkas in a Taluk have been allotted to the Taluk Tahsildar for procurement work. In view of the district-wide informal rationing that is being introduced it is found in actual practice that this arrangement is inconvenient and it is, therefore, proposed to entrust the entire work to the Special Staff. The informal rationing on the lines of Statutory rationing in Municipal towns imposes considerable additional work on the special staff and in the interests of the efficient working of the scheme, it has become necessary to increase the existing staff, particularly because there are no compact village sites in this district and residential houses are scattered far and wide throughout a village with extremely poor means of communication.

2. There are six Revenue Inspectors' firkas in each of the two taluks of Mangalore and Puttur. One Taluk Supply Officer will not be able to cope with the work in either of these taluks. At present there is a Taluk Supply Officer of the grade of a Tahsildar for each of these two taluks. I propose the appointment of an Assistant Taluk Supply Officer of the grade of a Deputy Tahsildar to work under each of these Taluk Supply Officers in these Taluks.

3. Kasaragod Taluk has five extensive firkas and there is only one Taluk Supply Officer of the grade of a Deputy Tahsildar now. Another Taluk Supply Officer of the same grade (junior) is necessary for this taluk to work as an assistant.

4. The Taluks of Udipi and Karkal have each four extensive firkas. While Udipi Taluk which is more or less self-sufficient in rice production is densely populated, Karkal Taluk where population is less, is clearly a surplus area with an extensive area under paddy cultivation. I, therefore, consider that the present Taluk Supply Officers in these two taluks who are of the grade of a Deputy Tahsildar should be replaced by officers of the grade of a Tahsildar.

5. Coondapoor Taluk has only three firkas and the present Taluk Supply Officer of the grade of a Deputy Tahsildar must be able to cope with the work. No change is necessary for this taluk.

6. Considering the nature and volume of work connected with both intensive procurement and district-wide informal rationing, it is absolutely necessary to give additional clerical staff to the Taluk Supply Officers and Assistant Taluk Supply Officers. The intensive procurement work itself is sufficiently heavy and informal rationing in rural parts involving the compilation of various

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in rural parts involving the compilation of various statistics and the preparation of numerous periodical statements will entail considerable amount of clerical work. As the movement of stocks, supply and distribution etc., will have to be based on the statistics furnished by the Taluk Supply Officers, the groundwork will have to be complete and efficient. In this office Ref.12435-WS-44 dated 3-4-45, I have already recommended the appointment of one additional clerk for each of the existing Taluk Supply Officers. On a further consideration of the volume of work involved and also after discussion with the District Supply Officer and the District Rationing Officer, I find that each of the Taluk Supply Officers should have altogether three clerks and the Assistant Taluk Supply Officers should be given one clerk each. One clerk from each of the Taluk Offices now attending to correspondence etc. relating to procurement work can, however, be spared and allotted to the Taluk Supply Officers.

7. The Board has recently sanctioned the appointment of a joint section head of the grade of a Tahsildar for the offices of both the District Supply Officer and the District Rationing Officer to effect co-ordination of work between the procurement and rationing sections. For this district, I propose the appointment of a joint section head of the grade of a Deputy Tahsildar. In view of these changes the post of a Statistical Tahsildar may be abolished.

8. The above proposals will result in the appointment of one more Tahsildar, two more Deputy Tahsildars and nine more clerks(Lower Division) in addition to the present staff. A statement showing the existing staff, proposed staff and the additional hands required is enclosed. The matter was discussed with the Provincial Controller of Food Rationing during his recent visit to this district and he has fully agreed to the above proposals as representing the bare minimum staff required for working the schemes in this district. I request that the Board may be pleased to sanction this staff in anticipation of Government's sanction as district-wide informal rationing will come to effect from 15-5-45.

Statement showing the existing staff, the proposed staff and the additional staff required for intensive procurement and district-wide informal rationing in South Kanara District.

Existing staff.	Proposed staff.	Additional staff required.
Two Tahsildars. Four Deputy Tahsildars. 6 Lower Division clerks.	Four Tahsildars. SixDy. Tahsildars (of whom one will be a joint section head for Dt. Supply Officer and Dt. Rationing Officer). 21 Lower Division clerks.	Tahsildars .. 4 -2 = 2. But, as the abolition of the post of the Statistical Tahsildar is now recommended additional Tahsildar may be sanctioned. Dy.Tahsildars .. 6 - 4 = 2 (two). Clerks .. 21 - 6 = 15. As 6 Lower Division Clerks will be available from the Taluk Offices, the additional staff required is 15-6 = 9 (nine).

Copy of letter No.578-P3-45 dated 12-5-45. from the Collector of South Kanara to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies)

ESTABLISHMENT - Special staff - South Kanara District -Intensive procurement and district-wide informal rationing - proposals revised.

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I In-vite attention to my report no.P3-578-45 dated 2-5-45 in which I applied for sanction to appoint one more Tahsildar, two more Deputy Tahsildars and nine more clerks (Lower Division) in this District for wor connected with procurement and informal rationing. On a further consideration, I find that Kasaragod Taluk which is very extensive and heavily deficit requires an officer ~~xkixxxixxxxxxx~~ of the Tahsildar's grade to work as Taluk Supply Officer. In modification of the proposals contained in para 3 of my report cited above, I propose the appointment of a Taluk Supply Officer of the grade of a Tahsildar for Kasaragod Taluk with an assistant Taluk Supply Officer of the grade of a Deputy Tahsildar, in which case the staff for Kasaragod Taluk will be the same as that proposed for Puttur and Mangalore Taluks. This change will result in the appointment of two more Tahsildars, one more Deputy Tahsildar and nine more Lower Division Clerks for the District. I request that sanction may be given accordingly.

Copy of letter No.578-P3-45 dated 5-6-45 from the Collector o South Kanara to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies.

ESTABLISHMENT- Special Staff South Kanara District - Intensive procurement - District wide informal rationing - proposals revised.

In continuation of my reports Ref.578-P3-45 dated 2-5-45 and 12-5-45 I request that the Board may be pleased to sanction the appointment of 7 peons to the Taluk Supply offices and Assistant Taluk Supply Officer's Office to be newly created. At present there are 6 taluk Supply Officers, two of the grade of Tahsildars at Mangalore and Puttur and four of the grade of Deputy Tahsildars at Kasargod, Karkal, Udipi and Coondapur, with two peons for each. In my reports cited above, I have asked for the additional appointment of 2 Tahsildars and one Deputy Tahsildar ~~xxxxxx xxxxxx~~ I propose to post one Tahsildar and one Deputy Tahsildar to each of the ~~xxx~~ Taluks of Mangalore, Puttur and Kasargod, One Tahsildar to each of the two Taluks of Karkal and Udipi and one Deputy Tahsildar to Coondapur and to give 2 peons to each of the Taluk Supply Officers and Assistant Taluk Supply Officers at Mangalore, Puttur and Kasargod and 3 peons to each of the Taluk Supply Officers at Karkal, Udipi and Coondapur. The reason for this differential treatment is that there being only one officer in the latter 3 taluks, their jurisdiction will be larger and there will not be sufficient peons for the service of notices etc., as in the other three taluks. There will thus be required 21 peons instead of 12 as at present. As however, the post of the statistical Assistant is to be abolished, his two peons will be available for being employed under the Assistant Taluk Supply Officer, Mangalore. In the result, it would be sufficient, if only seven new peons are sanctioned.

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Revenue Department.
Civil Supplies.

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Sub: ESTABLISHMENT - Temporary - South Kanara District - Additional staff for intensive Procurement of foodgrains and informal rationing - sanction of - request.

Board's Ref.F.II.1986.45. dated 18/6/45.

From

A.F.W.Dixon Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

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I.Rhys Jones Esq., I.C.S.,
Jt.Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

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DEPUTY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
20 JUN 1945
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Read: Board's D.O.No.Nil dated 6th June 1945 to the Collector of South Kanara.
Board's Ref.No.F.1986. 45. dated 9th June 1945 to Government.
From the Collector of South Kanara, Ref.P.3. 578. 45.dated 8th June 1945.

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Submitted to Government.

In its reference cited above the Board has reported that the Collector of South Kanara has applied for the sanction of an additional staff of two Tahsildars, one Deputy Tahsildar, 9 Lower Division Clerks and 7 peons on the whole, for his district, for work connected with the intensive procurement of foodgrains and informal rationing. It has also reported that six Lower Division Clerks might be sanctioned for the present pending further examination by the Board of the other proposals of the Collector.

In his letter dated 3rd April 1945 the Collector of South Kanara reported that he was arranging for the Grain Purchase Tahsildars or Deputy Tahsildars to be assigned a particular number of firkas in each taluk, the other firkas being taken up by the regular Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar, so that each officer might be definitely responsible for the procurement in a particular firka. He also reported that this scheme had been working very satisfactorily so far as procurement was concerned and applied for an additional staff of 6 lower division clerks and 6 peons to cope with the work Subsequently after discussion with Provincial Controller of Food Rationing, he proposed in his letter dated 2nd May 1945 that the work of intensive procurement of foodgrains and district-wide informal rationing should be taken away from the regular revenue staff and that the Special Procurement staff should considerably be strengthened to take over the entire work. But the Board considered it undesirable to disassociate the regular staff from the scheme since the existing system had already worked well and that the only difficulty being under procurement from rich and influential landlords and for digging out these stocks the prestige and local knowledge of the regular revenue staff would be most useful. The Collector was therefore asked to state how after the introduction of rationing, the arrangement of splitting the work between the regular staff and the special staff has been found inconvenient. The Collector now reports that he also considers that the regular revenue staff commands more prestige and influence with Village Officers and the public than the Special staff and it is always

in a better position to do such onerous work as procurement more ~~difficult~~ efficiently. And he therefore considered at first that the most effective way of getting the work done was by allotting some firkas to the regular Tahsildar and some to the Grain Purchase Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar so that the zone of their operations might be smaller and in consequence their work might be more efficient both in procurement and informal rationing. But he reports that after the introduction of district wide informal rationing in South Kanara District , the Dt. Rationing Officer has been insisting that the registers etc. connected with rationing should be maintained rigidly as in the case of statutory rationing and that even when Provincial Controller of Food Rationing visited South Kanara, he examined the forms, registers etc. maintained and said that they were not in as satisfactory a state as they should be. He therefore considers that a uniform procedure cannot be adopted in matters so novel and elastic as rationing. He also states that there was no scope for proper coordination between the Taluk Supply Officers and regular Tahsildars in the submission of returns etc , ~~xfixxxxxxxkingxxxxxdxtxxix~~ to the District Rationing Officer after working out details and the ~~xfxx~~ latter could not therefore compile the returns and statistics with the details furnished; and in order to get the things done both under procurement and informal rationing, the local Tahsildars as well as the Taluk Supply Officers had to be dealt with for every-item of work. To avoid all this inconvenience and dual control and responsibility he states that it would be more expedient to split up the revenue staff and the special staff and make the latter ~~xxxxixxxx~~ solely responsible for all matters relating to informal rationing as well as procurement. He therefore considers that the strengthening of the special staff is necessary to get the work done and that an additional staff of 2 Tahsildars, , to be designated as Grain Purchase Tahsildars 9 Lower Division Clerks and 7 Peons may be sanctioned on the whole to make up the required strength. South Kanara has always been difficult and vociferous and since the Government have taken over the responsibility of feeding all non-producers by the introduction of informal rationing any ~~xxfixxx~~ defect or hitch is apt to be magnified. The District is ~~xx~~ statistically self-sufficient but has started shouting for help which cannot be given without detriment to the really deficit districts. In the circumstances reported by the Collector the Board considers that it will be better to allow the Collector to make necessary adjustments in the work allotted to him to suit local conditions. It therefore requests that the Government may be pleased to sanction upto 31st March 1946 ~~from the date of employment of present sanction~~ or till the necessity for employment ceases whichever is earlier, of an additional staff of 2 Tahsildars, 9 Lower Division Clerks and 7 peons for South Kanara District for intensive procurement and informal rationing. In view of the additional staff now applied for, the six lower division clerks for which the sanction is sought for in the Board's cited cited, need not be sanctioned.

The Collector however states that so far as

procurement is concerned for the current year, he will continue the existing arrangements and proposes to introduce the new arrangement from the next season. The Board considers that this does not matter much as the season is coming to a close.

The Collector reports that he has appointed two Tahsildars in anticipation of sanction. The Board requests that his action may be approved.

The entire staff may be permitted to draw T.A. under M.T.A. rules for their journeys.

The cost of the establishment comes to Rs. 12,100/- approximately for the period recommended.

Application for funds will bemade in due course to meet the expenditure during the current year.

The expenditure may be debited to 64.B. Civil Defence Section IV. Expenditure borne wholly by Provincial Government. C. Mis. A. Establishment for price control. 1. Board of Revenue. 2. Pay of Establishment.

The 2 Grain Purchase Tahsildars and the Statistical Assistant who will also be a Grain Purchase Tahsildar may be delegated with powers under rule 75.A. and 76 A of Defence of India Rules in respect of paddy, rice and millets.

Very early orders are requested on the proposals.

FOR JT. SECRETARY.

To the Addl. Secretary to Government, Development Department with encl.
Copy to the Collector of South Kanara.
Copy to U. Section and Accounts Section.
Copy to the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).

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Copy of the D.O. letter from the Commissioner of Civil Supplies Madras Camp Ootacamund, dated 6th June, 1945 to Sri Rao Sahib P.Ramadoss, B.A., Collector of South Kanara, Mangalore.

Due to delays in the office I have only just seen for the first time the two sets of proposals made by you for extra staff for the rationing scheme. So, unfortunately, I did not discuss these proposals with you in South Kanara when I was in South --- Kanara. In your first letter dated 3rd April, 1945, you said that you were arranging for the Special Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to be assigned a particular number of firkas in each taluk, the other firkas being taken up by the regular Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar, so that each officer might be definitely responsible for the procurement in a particular firka. This meant smaller areas under particular officers and more intensive work. This scheme, you said, had been working very satisfactorily so far as procurement was concerned and you proposed the same arrangement which, you thought, would result in greater efficiency of supervision and control. You only asked for an additional staff of 6 lower division clerks and 6 peons.

Subsequently, after discussion with Mr. Grubb, you have proposed in your letter dated 2-5-1945 that the work of intensive procurement and district-wide rationing should be taken away from the regular Revenue Staff and that the special staff should be considerably strengthened to takeover the whole of the work. It is regrettable that I did not have an opportunity of discussing this with you, as I am doubtful whether it is desirable to change the system, which you have introduced in South Kanara, of giving part of the work to the regular staff and part to the special staff, which appears to have been working satisfactorily. I have not had an opportunity of discussing this matter with Mr. Grubb yet,. but will do so when I return to Madras. I am more acquainted with the procurement side of the work than the rationing and it is the procurement side which is the more difficult. From the point of view of procurement, I am very doubtful whether it is desirable to dissociate the regular staff from the scheme since the existing system has already worked well, the only difficulty being under procurement from rich and influential landlords. For digging out these stocks, the prestige and local knowledge of the regular Revenue staff would be most useful. From the point of view of procurement generally, my experience tends to show that it may be unwise to dissociate the regular Revenue staff from the work, unless, perhaps, the most experienced District Revenue officers are switched over to the special staff and this may not be feasible. Taluk Supply Officers are often lower division clerks and Firka Supply Officers raw outsiders. Presumably, you have found in South Kanara that your Regular Revenue staff can find the time to attend to part of the work of district-wide procurement and rationing. That being so, it appears that strong justification is necessary for proposals for further considerable inflation of staff involving promotion and appointment of inexperienced men and more expenditure. In your first letter, you say that the scheme, as it is at present, has been working very satisfactorily and that after introduction of rationing, the arrangement of splitting the work between the regular staff and the special staff will make the area of their supervision and work smaller so that their supervision might be more intense, this being calculated to bring about greater efficiency of supervision and control. In your second letter, however, you say that it is found in actual practice, that this arrangement is inconvenient. I will be glad to know in what respects it has been found to be inconvenient.

I realise that the matter is urgent and has already been unduly delayed. I am, therefore, asking Government, for the time being, to sanction 6 additional clerks asked for in your first letter [illegible] working the scheme according to the present method [illegible] the matter further with the Provincial

Copy of the letter from the South Kanara Collector, Mangalore Ref.P3-573-45 dated 3th June, 1945 to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras.

Dear Sir,

Civil Supplies - Procurement and informal rationing - Division of work - Staff - Reply - Submitted.

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Reference: Your D.O. dated 6th June, 1945.

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The question of the adequacy of the special staff and the most effective way of apportioning the work between the regular staff and the special staff have been very closely studied by me from the very beginning ofprocurement work. From my experience of the Revenue Department, I have always thought that the regular taluk staff commanded greater prestige and more influence with the Village Officers and the public and, therefore, were always in a better position to do such onerous work as procurement, more efficiently. Therefore, when the Joint Controller of Food Rationing visited this district in December, 1944, I was against his proposal to direct the meagre special staff to attend to all the work connected with informal rationing and procurement, even with a little additional staff. I considered that with the special staff which had already been sanctioned, the most effective way of getting the work done was by allotting some definite firkas to the Tahsildar and some to the Special Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar, so that the zone of their operations may be smaller and in consequence their work more efficient both in procurement and rationing. But the District Rationing Officer has been from the very beginning insisting upon innumerable forms, returns and registers etc., connected with rationing being maintained as rigidly as in the case of statutory rationing. It almost looked that he could not think differently. When the Provincial Controller of Food Rationing came here and examined the forms, registers etc., maintained, he found that they were not in as satisfactory a state as they should be. In matters of details even Tahsildar or Special Tahsildar has his own way of understanding and insisting upon details being worked out. A uniform and cast-iron procedure cannot be thought of in matters so novel and elastic as rationing. Some statements and returns are due from the Taluk Supply Officers to the District Rationing Officer periodically; the Tahsildar had to send them in respect of firkas in his charge and the Taluk Supply Officer had to send them in respect of other firkas. There was no scope for proper coordination. The District Rationing Officer thought that he could not compile the returns and statistics unless the Taluk Officers furnished complete returns. In respect of getting things done both under procurement and informal rationing the Tahsildar as well as the Taluk Supply Officer had to be dealt with for every item of work. This meant more scriptory work, more supervision and control, and more elaborate coordination. To avoid all this inconvenience and dual control and responsibility, I thought that it would be more expedient to fall in line with the rest of the Presidency as was observed by Mr. Grubb and considered that the staff might be split up making the special staff solely responsible for all matters relating to informal rationing as well as, procurement. Therefore, I have proposed to appoint also a special Deputy Tahsildar (Assistant Taluk Supply Officer) to assist the special Tahsildar in three of the bigger taluks, viz., Kasaragod, Mangalore, and Puttur. Experience shows that an officer of the grade of Deputy Tahsildar, a glorified Clerk, is not having the status to do substantial procurement work and where this work was done by Special Tahsildars, the results have been better. Therefore, I have proposed two officers of the grade of Tahsildars for Karkal and Udipi, where formerly only special Deputy Tahsildars were working. Coondapur being a small taluk, I have allowed it to continue under a special Deputy Tahsildar. In my proposals Ref.No.578--P3--45, dated 2-5-45, I had applied for only two DeputyTahsildars for Kasaragod Taluk, one to work at Kasaragod and the other at Hosdrug. But on further consideration and discussion, I thought it was necessary to appoint a special Tahsildar and a special Deputy Tahsildar for the Taluk.

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Hence my request for a Tahsildar in place of Deputy Tahsildar in my Reference No.578--B3--45, dated 12-5-45. So far as procurement is concerned for the current year, to complete the deliveries yet to come and to acquire the secreted stocks, I am continuing the existing arrangement of Tahsildars doing the work of procurement in the firka already allotted to them. But it is intended to scrape off this arrangement from the next procurement season. However, I am still diffident about the results of this sort of arrangement. I still believe that giving a smaller area to each officer at least in regard to procurement is a more efficient way of achieving the purpose. This can be done always and will be done under the orders of the Commissioner if he decides that this arrangement of dividing the procurement between the Tahsildar and the special staff is the more efficient course. I solicit orders in the matter as the procedure followed in other districts is said to be otherwise.

2) This does not however mean that the staff applied for by me is more than the minimum required. Having regard to efficient procurement and equally efficient informal rationing, what has been proposed is to substitute three Tahsildars in place of the three Deputy Tahsildars and to have an extra special Deputy Tahsildar in the bigger taluks of Kasaragod, Mangalore and Puttur. In this connection, I have proposed elimination of the Statistical Assistant. This, in my view, is the minimum required. It may be considered that Deputy Tahsildars should do in place of Tahsildars. But experience reveals that officers of the grade of Tahsildars are able to show more outturn and inspire more confidence for fair deal in the mind of the public. I would therefore press for the staff already applied for.

3. Mr. Grubb informed me that in districts like Vizagapatam there is a 'Supply Sheristedar' through whom papers of the District Supply Officer and the District Rationing Officer go to the Collector in respect of procurement and rationing and that similar arrangement would be desirable. Therefore, I have applied for an extra Deputy Tahsildar to work as Additional Head Clerk in the Collector's Office. Pending orders I have not filled up this post. I have asked the Reception Tahsildar of this district, who is comparatively not so over- orked, to supervise the sections of the District Rationing Officer and the District Supply Officer. Therefore, the addition l Head Clerk's post applied for need not be sanctioned. This is all the cut I could suggest in my proposals.

4. I enclose herewith statement showing the proposals made by me for the additional staff. In my letter dated 2-5-45, I have asked for 9 clerks for the 5 special Tahsildars and the 4 Special Deputy Tahsildars. As no orders were received from the Board on my letter dated 2-5-45, you were pleased to permit me to appoint the necessary staff in anticipation of sanction. Accordingly, I have, with effect from 1-6-45, appointed two additional Tahsildars (three Tahsildars minus the Statistical Assistant abolished), and the necessary peons. My action may kindly be ratified. The Clerks and the additional peons required have not been appointed pending sanction.

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STATEMENT SHOWING THE DETAILS OF THE ADDITIONAL STAFF RECOMMENDED FOR PROCUREMENT AND INFORMAL RATIONING WORK IN THE SOUTH KANARA DISTRICT.

Details of cadre of the staff.	According to the original proposal submitted in Collector's Ref.C.No.12435-W5-44. Dated.3-4-45.	According to the second proposal submitted in Collectors Ref.578-P3-45Dated. 2-5-45 as subsequently amended in Collector's Ref.578-P3-45 dated.12-5-45 and 5-6-45.	According to the present proposal in Ref.578-P3-45 dated. 8-6-45.	REMARKS.
1. Tahsildars.	2	2		Addition proposed. Three Taluk Supply Officers, in the cadre of Tahsildars in place of 3 in the cadre of Deputy Tahsildars. Three assistant Taluk Supply Officers in three taluks. One Statistical Assistant abolished. Total. Net.
2. Deputy Tahsildars.	1	-		The post of the one additional Head Clerk in the Collector's Office to supervise the sections of the District Rationing Officer and District Supply Officer proposed in the original report now dropped.
3. Lower Division clerks.	6	9	9	Clerks-One for each of the Six Taluk Supply Officers and three Assistant Taluk Supply Officers.
4. Peon.	6	7	7	PEONS: 6 for the three new Assistant Taluk Supply Officers at 2 each. 3 for the Taluk Supply Officers of Udipi, Karakal and Coondapur. (where there are no Assistant Taluk Supply Officers) at the rate of one addition to each. Less -2 of the Statistical assistant to be absorbed. Net -7 peons.

	Tahsildars. (+)	Tahsildars. (-)	Deputy Tahsildar. (+)	Deputy Tahsildar. (-)
Addition proposed. Three Taluk Supply Officers, in the cadre of Tahsildars in place of 3 in the cadre of Deputy Tahsildars.	+ 3			- 3
Three assistant Taluk Supply Officers in three taluks.	-	-	3	
One Statistical Assistant abolished.		1		
Total.	+ 3	-1	+ 3	-3
Net.	+ 2			Nil.

South Kanara Collector's Office.
Mangalore. Dated.8-6-45
Pks.18-6

Sd. xxxxxxxx
Collector.

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Please docket

Establishment - Temporary - South Kanara District - Additional Staff for intensive procurement and informal rationing of foodgrains - Employment - Sanctioned

Read the following: From the Bd of Rev (Sir)

Ft. 1986/45 dated 18/6/45

G. O. No. 1452 dated 19-7-45.

Sanction is accorded to the employment of the following additional staff from the date of appointment till 31.3.46 or till the necessity for employing the staff ceases, whichever is earlier, for work in the South Kanara District, in connection with the procurement and informal rationing of foodgrains:

(1) Two Tahsildars to be designated 'Grain Purchase Tahsildars'.

(2) Nine lower division clerks on Rs 30-55 p.m. each.

(3) Seven peons on Rs 12-17 p.m. each.

2. The staff referred to in para 1 above will draw T.A. under the M.S. Rules.

3. The action of the Collector of S. Kanara in having appointed the two Grain Purchase Tahsildars and some peons in anticipation of the sanction of the Govt. is approved.

4. The A. G. is requested to admit the expenditure in audit pending the provision of the necessary funds.

5. The expenditure should be debited

6. "64- B. Civil Defence. Section IV - Expenditure borne wholly by the Provincial Govt. e.g. Civil Establishment for Police control - Bd. Proc. No. 4. The Orders delegating to the Gram Panchayat Tahsildars and the Statistical Assistants powers under Rule 75-A and 76A of the Defence of India Rules in respect of paddy, rice and millets will issue separately in the Public (war) Dept. The exercise of these powers by the officers concerned should be strictly supervised by the District Supply Officer and Personal Assistant to the Collector in the S. Kanara District.

'B' file

To: The Bd of Revenue, Madras
A.G. Madras
Collr of S. Kanara
Public (war) Dept -
JF
Subject to orders.

Hdm
21/6/45
Dbd.
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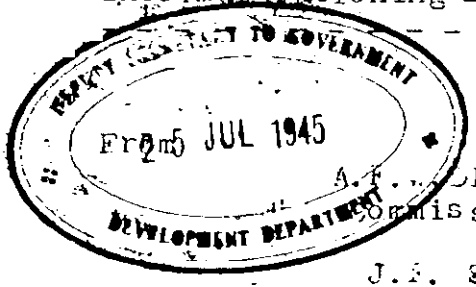
9/7/45

BOARD OF REVENUE(CIVIL SUPPLIES)

Subject:

Establishment – Temporary – South Kanara District – Addl. Staff for intensive procurement of foodgrains and informal rationing – Sanction of – Request –



Ref:1986/45 (C.S),
Madras, dated 21st July 1945.

A.F. DIXON ESQ., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

J.F. SAUNDERS ESQ., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

Read: Bd's Ref:F.II 1986/45 CS dated 18-6-1945.

Reference:

The Board invites the attention of Government

p.t.o.

to its reference cited above and requests early orders on its proposals.

For Secretary.

To
The Addl. Secretary,
Development Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

Sk. 22/7. (Ml-2 above)
Submitted for perusal. May be lodged with the G.O. at (b).

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D.S.

Dr. 4

The proposal in this file is explained in the draft order overleaf. Finance have accepted the proposal. The cost works out roughly to Rs 4,300 p.a. The case may now be circulated to A2 and A1 for approval of the draft order.

Revenue
19/6/45
D&C
19/6/45

May be approved
Case
20645
A.2
A.1

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
29 JUN 1945
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

(37)
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D.S.

Resubmitted. The Board has since sent revised proposals (the 9th & 11th). A revised draft order sanctioning the revised proposals is submitted. Pl. see 'X'. Public (War) Revenue and Finance may kindly see for acceptance before circulation. Public (War) may also be requested to take the necessary steps for action with reference to the concluding paragraph of the draft order below.

UNDER SECRETARY
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23 JUN 1945
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

Dr no.
35269 Fin/Rev 2
22/6/45

Revenue
21/6/45
D&C
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Pub (war)
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Fin

Pub (war) dept

Please see para 6 of the draft order below.

Relevant extracts may be taken for separate action in this dept & the file passed on to Revenue.

Extract taken
NB
26645

D&C
23/6/45

NB 24/6/45

Revenue

Pub (war) W.O.
255/45-1
26.6.45

Tows

R.D

The draft order may be accepted in this Dept. and the file passed on to Fin.

24/6/45 - ASR
27.6.45

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
2178
27 JUN 1945
REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Ans.

Establishment – Temporary – South Kanara District – Intensive procurement of foodgrains – Additional staff – Employment – Sanctioned

Read the following: From The Addl. Secy. to Govt. F.1986/45-2 dated 9.6.45
(ii) Do. No. 1605 dated 10/6/44
(iii) Do. No. 4723 dated 3.11.44

G.O. No. Nil dated 6-6-45

Sanction is accorded to the employment of six lower division clerks on Rs 30-5-60 per each from the date of appointment till 31/3/46 or till the necessity for employing the clerks ceases, whichever is earlier, for work under the Taluk Supply Officers in the S. Kanara district (in the case of one clerk for each Taluk Supply Officer) in connection with the Scheme for the intensive procurement of foodgrains.

2. The A/46 required to admit the expenditure in audit pending the provision of the necessary funds.

3. The expenditure should be debited to "64-B-Civil defence-Section IV-Expenditure borne wholly by the Provincial Govt.-C.-Misc.-1-Establishment-for price control-1-Bd. of Rev."

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Finance may see for acceptance before circulation.

12645 Fin (2M)

Our no. 35289/Fin/46-1
12/6/45

The draft order may be accepted.

2/ The extra cost involved works out to Rs 4,327 pa, and as this exceeds the limit of Rs 1500 pa, Fin should see the case.

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35289. F.II/45

Fin (F II)

Previous note of Fin on p 1 above and further notes of Secy on p 2 above may be perused.

The revised draft order below may be accepted.

2. The extra cost involved on account of the addl staff will be Rs 15,286 p.a. As the cost exceeds the limit of Rs 5000 pa, the new scheme will have to be followed.

3.7.45

Dev.

Fin on 29-5-45 3.7.45

Dr. on 40198 4.7.45

The draft orders below explain the proposals. The cost works out to Rs 15,300 p.a. The case may be circulated to all the Advisers and H.E. the Governor for approval of the draft orders.

May be approved.

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Ad Sec 7/7/45

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NP 7/7/45 7.7.45 11/7/45 AH. 16/7/45

MADRAS GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT 12 JUL 1945 F-2306

(Issued as G.O. No. 2831 Dev. dt. 19-7-45)